

ADVANCED ROADSIDE IMPAIRED DRIVING ENFORCEMENT (A.R.I.D.E.) PROGRAM

Date: July 11-12, 2016
Location: Somerset County Sheriff's Office
Time: 8:00 - 5:00
Fee: Sponsored by Somerset County Sheriff's Office and the Maine Bureau of Highway Safety at no cost to your agency.
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Program Description:

The Maine Bureau of Highway Safety and the Maine Criminal Justice Academy are pleased to offer The National Highway Traffic Safety Administrations' A.R.I.D.E. course. The course provides officers a better understanding of the elements surrounding the enforcement of impaired driver laws. The course is designed to help officers become more proficient at detecting, apprehending, testing and prosecuting impaired drivers. The course includes elements of both the Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) and Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) curriculum. **This course is not intended to certify you as a Drug Recognition Expert, although it is being considered as a prerequisite for future DRE candidates.** Attendees must be proficient in the SFST battery with emphasis on HGN procedures.

The candidate who successfully completes the training will be able to recognize that an individual may be under the influence of a drug or drugs other than alcohol, or under the combined influence of alcohol and other drugs, or suffering from some injury or illness that produces signs similar to alcohol/drug impairment.

This course was not designed to be offered to new police recruits. This is an intermediate level course designed to offer more than a basic understanding of the impairing effects of drugs (Illicit and Licit), alcohol, and/or the combination of both.

Personnel who may attend:

All full time law enforcement officers actively enforcing impaired driving laws that work for a department that is committed to detecting and deterring impaired drivers.

Prerequisites:

- Full Time Law Enforcement Officer
- Must have completed the SFST program and been deemed proficient by the MCJA.
- Must meet with an instructor prior to the beginning of the class and review your SFST skills at which time the instructor will sign a new proficiency exam sheet. The signed exam sheet is required on the first day of class. Students without the sheet will not participate.

Class Limit: 20 Students (MCJA Registration required)